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FOR EA/PRCM OSCAR ARMSTRONG

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: US-JAPAN CHINA EXPERTS TALKS

1. KUNIHRO AND OGURA OF FONOFF CHINA DIVISION HAVE RAISED WITH US TIMING OF NEXT ROUND OF CHINA EXPERTS TALKS. KUNIHRO RECALLED THAT MOST RECENT SESSION WAS HELD IN FEBRUARY 1973 WHEN HASHIMOTO VISITED WASHINGTON. THEN LAST FALL MURATA OF JAPANESE EMBASSY APPROACHED DEPARTMENT, WHICH SUGGESTED JANUARY OR FEBRUARY 1974 FOR NEXT SESSION. HOWEVER, FONOFF ASKED FOR DELAY BECAUSE OF HEAVY BURDEN IMPOSED BY CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS THEN IN PROGRESS.

2. FONOFF IS NOW ANXIOUS TO HOLD TALKS AS SOON AS CONVENIENT FOR US SIDE, AND HAS PROPOSED TOKYO AS VENUE (CONSISTENT WITH PATTERN OF ALTERNATING SITES). SPECIFICALLY, FONOFF COULD HOST TALKS AROUND MAY 24-25 OR 27-28 IF US SIDE COULD COME TO TOKYO ON SHORT NOTICE. IN THIS CASE, EXCHANGE OF PAPERS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BE FOREGONE. IF THOSE DATES ARE INCONVENIENT, FONOFF WOULD PROPOSE EITHER VERY EARLY OR LATE JUNE. FYI: CHINA DIV WILL BE BUSY WITH FISHING NEGOTIATIONS IN MID-JUNE BECAUSE EXISTING AGREEMENT EXPIRES JUNE 22 AND FONOFF EXPECTS TO BE COMING DOWN TO THE WIRE IN NEGOTIATIONS. END FYI.

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3. AS FOR AGENDA, FONOFF PARTICULARLY WISHES TO DISCUSS TAIWAN AND DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

4. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION, DUNIHIRO NOTED THAT FONMIN OHIRA WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY LEAVE FONOFF AFTER UPPER HOUSE ELECTIONS AND CABINET RESHUFFLE IN MID-JULY. EMBOFF INQUIRED IF THIS IMPLIED SOME CHANGES MIGHT BE EXPECTED IN GOJ CHINA POLICY. KUNIHIRO RESPONDED THAT WHILE THERE MIGHT BE MINOR CHANGES, THEY WOULD NOT BE SUCH AS TO PROMPT POSTPONEMENT OF EXPERTS TALKS UNTIL NEW ADMINISTRATION IS WELL INSTALLED.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBOFF PROMISED TO CONVEY ABOVE INFORMATION TO DEPT PROMPTLY, AND TO SOLICIT REACTION TO LATE MAY DATES ASAP. IF DEPT OFFICERS CANNOT COME TO JAPAN IN LATE MAY, INTERIM RESPONSE TO THAT EFFECT WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED.
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